AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A method of forming a socket in bone comprising:

introducing a cannulated guide pin through the bone in an antegrade direction to expose a distal end of the guide pin;

~~placing a strand through the cannulated guide pin;~~

inserting the distal end of the guide pin through a cannulation in a cutter;

~~securing the cutter to the distal end of the guide pin by~~ pulling the cutter into the knee using [[the]] a strand introduced through the cannulated guide pin and attached to the cutter, to secure the cutter to the distal end of the guide pin; and

drilling into the bone to create the socket by rotating the cutter and moving the cutter in a retrograde manner using the guide pin,

wherein the cutter comprises a plurality of cutting teeth radiating symmetrically from a cylindrical body and having edges extending radially from the cannulation.

2. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of introducing the guide pin includes aligning the guide pin using a drill guide and a marking hook.

3. (Original) A method according to claim 2, wherein the marking hook includes a hook tip and a visible mark disposed 5 mm proximal to the hook tip.

Claim 4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) A method of knee reconstruction comprising:

forming a socket in a femur in a retrograde manner;

forming a socket in a tibia in a retrograde manner; and

securing the ends of a graft respectively in the sockets of the femur and the tibia,

wherein the step of forming the socket in the femur in a retrograde manner includes introducing a cannulated guide pin through the femur, ~~attaching a retrograde cutter to the guide pin by~~ pulling [[the]] a retrograde cutter into the knee using a strand introduced through the cannulated guide pin and attached to the cutter, to attach the retrograde cutter to the guide pin, and retrograde cutting into the femur by rotating and withdrawing the guide pin to form the socket in the femur, and wherein the cutter comprises a plurality of cutting teeth radiating symmetrically from a cylindrical body.

6. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 5, wherein the step of introducing the guide pin through the femur includes aligning the guide pin using a drill guide and an offset marking hook.

7. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 6, wherein the step of aligning the guide pin includes using the offset marking hook to align the guide pin 5 mm proximate a distal tip of the offset marking hook.

Claim 8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently amended) A method of knee reconstruction comprising:

forming a socket in a femur in a retrograde manner;

forming a socket in a tibia in a retrograde manner; and

securing the ends of a graft respectively in the sockets of the femur and the tibia,

wherein the step of forming the socket in the tibia includes introducing a cannulated guide pin through the tibia, ~~introducing a strand through the cannulated guide pin, attaching a retrograde cutter to the guide pin by~~ pulling [[the]] a retrograde cutter into the knee using [[the]] a strand introduced through the cannulated guide pin and attached to the cutter, to attach the retrograde cutter to the guide pin, and retrograde cutting into the tibia to form the retrograde socket in the tibia, wherein the cutter comprises a plurality of cutting teeth radiating symmetrically from a cylindrical body.

Claim 10. (Canceled)

11. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 9, wherein the step of introducing the guide pin through the tibia includes aligning the guide pin using a drill guide and an offset marking hook.

Claims 12-13. (Canceled)